



CHEYENNE FIRE RESCUE

"RIDE- ALONG" RULES AND APPLICATION

General Information:

Cheyenne Fire Rescue permits interested citizens to observe Cheyenne Fire Rescue operations and services. The program also provides a path for educational benefit to those interested in pursuing a career in public safety, fire suppression, and emergency medical services. Participants must complete a ride along application prior to any ride time being scheduled. Participants shall not interfere with fire department operations. If the company or chief officer need them to accomplish a task they may do so within their scope of the ride and their ability.

Scheduling:

The ride along timeframe may be Monday- Friday 0800-1700hrs.

- **Exceptions:** A student that requires hours for their program

Dress code:

The dress code for ride along participants must be like the crew and follow the professional guidelines as set forth in Personnel Rules and Regulations. If for any reason a company officer or chief officer finds a rider out of compliance, they have the authority to ask the rider to follow our dress code or the ride will be canceled. Acceptable attire will include:

- Long pants (EMS, Dress, Dark colored jeans)
- Dark colored T-shirt (No graphics on front or back)
- Appropriate seasonal attire

Safety:

All rider safety is the responsibility of the supervisor in charge of the vehicle or apparatus. No rider will be allowed into any situation deemed Immediately Dangerous to Life and Health (IDLH). The rider must stay in or near the apparatus during these instances and shall not be alone.

The rider must wear seat belt while in a moving apparatus.

Confidentiality:

Cheyenne Fire Rescue abides by and complies with all laws pertaining to privacy and is fully HIPPA compliant. Due to the nature of EMS incidents, a supervisor has the discretion to direct the participant to not be involved in a call for service and will advise them of where to stay.

The participant will be excluded from conversations regarding criminal activity or ongoing investigations where fire and law enforcement personnel are present.

Electronic Devices:

There is absolutely no recording or pictures taken during routine or emergency response activities.



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Eligibility:

Eligible participants must be 18 years of age and must have proof of physician clearance to ride along.

Or

Eligible participants must be 16 years of age, must have proof of physician clearance and approved by a legal guardian. (See minor consent to ride liability waiver)

Individuals eligible to ride are:

- Students of Fire or EMS programs
- Personnel from external public safety agencies (Fire, Law Enforcement, Dispatchers, Homeland Security, etc.)
- Family members of personnel
- City of Cheyenne elected officials and employees
- Members of the media
- Fire Chiefs discretion for other members of the public

Decision to ride:

Cheyenne Fire Rescue reserves the right to refuse anyone the opportunity to participate if it appears that harm may come to the applicant, personnel of the fire department, or organization.

Supervisors maintain the discretion to terminate any ride along scheduled. The reasons for the termination will be documented and forwarded to Cheyenne Fire Rescue Administration through the chain of command.

Responsibilities

Applicant:

It is the responsibility of the applicant to abide by and comply with all items listed in this policy.

It is the applicant's responsibility to complete the necessary paperwork to be eligible for ride time with Cheyenne Fire Rescue.

Supervisor:

It is the responsibility of the supervisor to keep the participant safe during the ride. Clear and concise instructions must be given to the ride along participant and the supervisor must maintain accountability at all times of the individual.



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Rider information:

Name: _____ Date: _____

Age: _____ Phone Number: _____

Address: _____

Email Address: _____

Dates of request to ride along: _____

Best way to contact you? (phone/ email)

In Case of Emergency/ Accident Contact:

Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Relationship to Rider: _____

I have read and understand the rules of the Cheyenne Fire Rescue's "Ride- Along" Program and agree to follow them.

In consideration of my being permitted to ride upon the motor vehicles of the City of Cheyenne Fire Rescue, I hereby release and agree to hold harmless the said City of Cheyenne, its employees, and agents from any and all liability for any damage or injury which I may receive while riding upon said motor vehicles or received while accompanying City of Cheyenne Fire Rescue officers from any cause whatsoever. This release of liability and agreement given by me to the said City of Cheyenne, its employees and agents, shall apply as to any right of action that might accrue to myself, my heirs, and my personal representatives.

Furthermore, I agree to assume all risks involved in riding in the said City of Cheyenne Fire Rescue vehicles and in accompanying its officers and am fully aware of the dangers involved.

Dated this _____ day of _____, 20____

Print Name: _____

Signature: _____

Witness Signature: _____

(If the rider is under the age of 18, a legal parent or guardian needs to sign)

Print name: _____

Legal Parent or Guardians Signature: _____



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Copy of Driver's License/ Government ID Card Attached?	Yes	No
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Proof of physician clearance?	Yes	No
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Fire Chief's Approval?	Yes	No
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Andrew Dykshorn, Fire Chief
Cheyenne Fire Rescue